



ITAR and EAR Compliance

Dear Valued Supplier:

All purchase orders issued by MetalQuest Unlimited, Inc. require compliance with applicable laws and regulations. This letter relates to compliance with the U.S. International Traffic in Arms Regulation (ITAR) and the U.S. Export Administration Regulations (EAR). Items subject to ITAR are under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of State and are generally associated with our nation's military or defense. Items subject to EAR are under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Department of Commerce. Purchase orders issued to you by MetalQuest may require compliance with ITAR and/or EAR. These requirements are generally communicated to MetalQuest by our customers via notations on their part drawings, and this is also how MetalQuest in turn will communicate them to you. As such, it is extremely important to identify if ITAR or EAR requirements are noted on part drawings when you receive a request for quote or a purchase order.

The ITAR and EAR restrict the export of products and technical data from the United States. For items subject to ITAR and EAR, it is MetalQuest's policy to only use suppliers that are based physically in the United States; however, this alone is not sufficient to guarantee compliance with ITAR or EAR. An item or technical data are *deemed* to be an export if they are shared with someone who is not a United States citizen or national, even if that person is physically located in the United States. Therefore, if someone in your employment, on premises, or with whom you intend to share a controlled item or data is not a U.S. citizen or national, an export license may be needed. If the part is subject to ITAR, an export license is required. If the part is subject to EAR, whether a license is required depends on the Export Control Classification Number (ECCN) assigned to the item. For classification EAR99, generally a license is not required unless the person is a citizen of a country against which the U.S. Government has issued sanctions. For other ECCNs, there may be foreign countries whose citizens and nationals are allowed access without a license.

To comply with the regulations, you must prevent any unauthorized "deemed exports" of ITAR or EAR controlled products and technical data to unauthorized persons. If you anticipate an unauthorized person will need access to ITAR or EAR controlled items or technical data, please immediately contact your Buyer at MetalQuest. Please note that for non-U.S. citizens/nationals, access is not allowed until a license is received, or it is determined one is not needed. MetalQuest cannot render legal advice to its suppliers with regards to compliance but is willing to work with our suppliers and customers to help promote compliance to the regulations. Additional information on ITAR and EAR is available at the following websites:

International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR)
Export Administration Regulations (EAR)

<https://www.pmddtc.state.gov/>
<https://www.bis.gov/regulations>

Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

MetalQuest Unlimited
Supply Chain Management